Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) from contractors supporting the SCDRO Hurricane Matthew recovery project

Q: When will the work start?

A: The RFP closes August 25th, 2017. We will select general contractors are scheduled in early September with construction activities starting by September 15, 2017.

Q: How much work will there be?

A: We expect to repair or replace more than 1000 homes.

Q: How many homes will I be able to work on?

A: We have established a scorecard that grades contractors on their timeliness, craftmenship, and adherence to HUD HQS (Housing and Urban Development Housing Quality Standards). Contractors who complete their work on or before the required time, demonstrate a commitment to craftsmanship and adhere to HQS will receive the greatest allocation of homes requiring repair or replacement.

Q: How do I get paid?

A: If you are a general contractor the State pays after you pass the final inspection for the repaired or replaced home your completed. General contractors will inform their subcontractors how they will make payments to them.

Q: Where is the work?

A: We will be doing recovery to qualified applicants in all 24 affected counties. The majority of our work will be in in Marion and Horry counties.

Q: What is HQS?

A: HQS stands for HUD (Housing and Urban Development) Housing Quality Standards (HQS). HQS are the quality and craftsmanship standards you must meet when working in the program. You can find descriptions of HQS as an enclosure to the RFP on the web site: https://www.scdr.sc.gov/.

Q: I saw the insurance and bonding requirements outlined in the RFP. If my company can't meet those can I still participate?

A: Yes. Many large firms who can meet the insurance and bonding requirements will need subcontractor support. Send your contact information to John Osorio john.osorio@hornellp.com and he'll get your contact information to all of our general contractors we select.

Q: What kind of work do you need?

A: We need all lines of service that support home repair and construction. For example we need firms that do demolition, roof repair, plumbing, electrical, carpentry, dry wall, painting, etc.

Q: Traveling to Marion and Horry counties is not feasible for me. Does that mean I don't qualify for work elsewhere?

A: No. General contractors will be reaching out to subcontractors throughout the affected area. Ensure you tell us where you prefer to work.

Q: How do I find out what are the affected counties and general information about the program?

A: Go to https://www.scdr.sc.gov/ for information about the program.